

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

Adoption of NPDES Permit
and Consideration of a Cease and Desist Order
for

**UNITED AUBURN INDIAN COMMUNITY
AUBURN RANCHERIA CASINO
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
PLACER COUNTY**

The United Auburn Indian Community owns and operates a wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system, and provides sewerage service to the Auburn Rancheria Casino, a gaming and entertainment facility. Tertiary treated municipal wastewater is discharged to an unnamed tributary of Orchard Creek, Orchard Creek, Auburn Ravine, the East Side Canal, the Cross Canal, and the Sacramento River. Treated wastewater is also used to irrigate on-site landscaping, for exterior decorative fountains and toilet flushing within the gaming facility. Sludge is dewatered in sludge stabilization basins and disposed off-site. The proposed Order contains new limitations, principally based on the California Toxic Rule (CTR), for copper, dibromochloromethane, dichlorobromomethane, bromoform, persistent chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides, aluminum, atrazine, boron, fluoride, methylene blue active substances (MBAS), sulfate, arsenic, total trihalomethanes, and electrical conductivity. The proposed permit and Cease and Desist Order provide time schedules to comply with new effluent limitations.

A formal public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting that is scheduled for:

DATE: 17 and 18 March 2005 (THIS IS A POSTPONEMENT BY ONE WEEK FROM
THE ORIGINALLY NOTICED DATE FOR THIS HEARING.)
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Board Office
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- United Auburn Indian Community
- Mr. John A. Branagh

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or

her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later

2 March 2005. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

This item has been previously circulated for public notice, including posting in public places and published in the local newspaper. The comment period is closed. Additional written comments will not be accepted.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on adoption of the NPDES permit for the Auburn Rancheria Casino WWTP should contact **Trinh Pham at (916) 464-4761**. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/index.html>. If you do not have Internet access, these documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 *et seq.* and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 *et seq.* The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

16 February 2005